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Response to Reply Brief

1. The reply brief(Paper b#26) filed 8/11/03 has been entered and considered. However in view of the Examiner's Answer (Paper #25) filed by the Office earlier addressing all the issues raised in applicant's Supplemental Appeal Brief(Paper #24), no further response by the examiner is deemed necessary. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for a decision on the appeal.

2. Questions concerning this communication should be addressed to the acting-SPE of record, Dr. Geoffrey Akers, P.E., who can be reached between 6:30 AM and 5:00 PM Monday through Friday at 703-306-5844. If attempts to contact the above are unsuccessful, the superior, Mr. Vincent Millin, SPE, may be telephoned at (703)-308-1065.

The fax number for Formal or Official faxes and Draft or Informal faxes to Technology Center 3600 or this Art Unit is (703)-308-3687. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703)-308-1113.

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